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December 17, 2002

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 00-65

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

After consulting with the other parties participating in this docket, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company (collectively "Companies") respectfully request an extension of time until January 13, 2003 to file their plan for future energy efficiency activities. The Companies and the parties anticipate that this extra time will enable them to finalize the plan with the support from the other parties participating in this docket. Until this plan is filed with the Department, the Companies will continue to offer the 2002 energy efficiency programs approved by the Department in D.T.E. 00-65-A.

Thank you very much for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Amy G. Rabinowitz

William Stevens, Hearing Officer cc:

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